

# State Board of Education Literacy Update

October 5, 2022

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# TODAY'S **AGENDA**

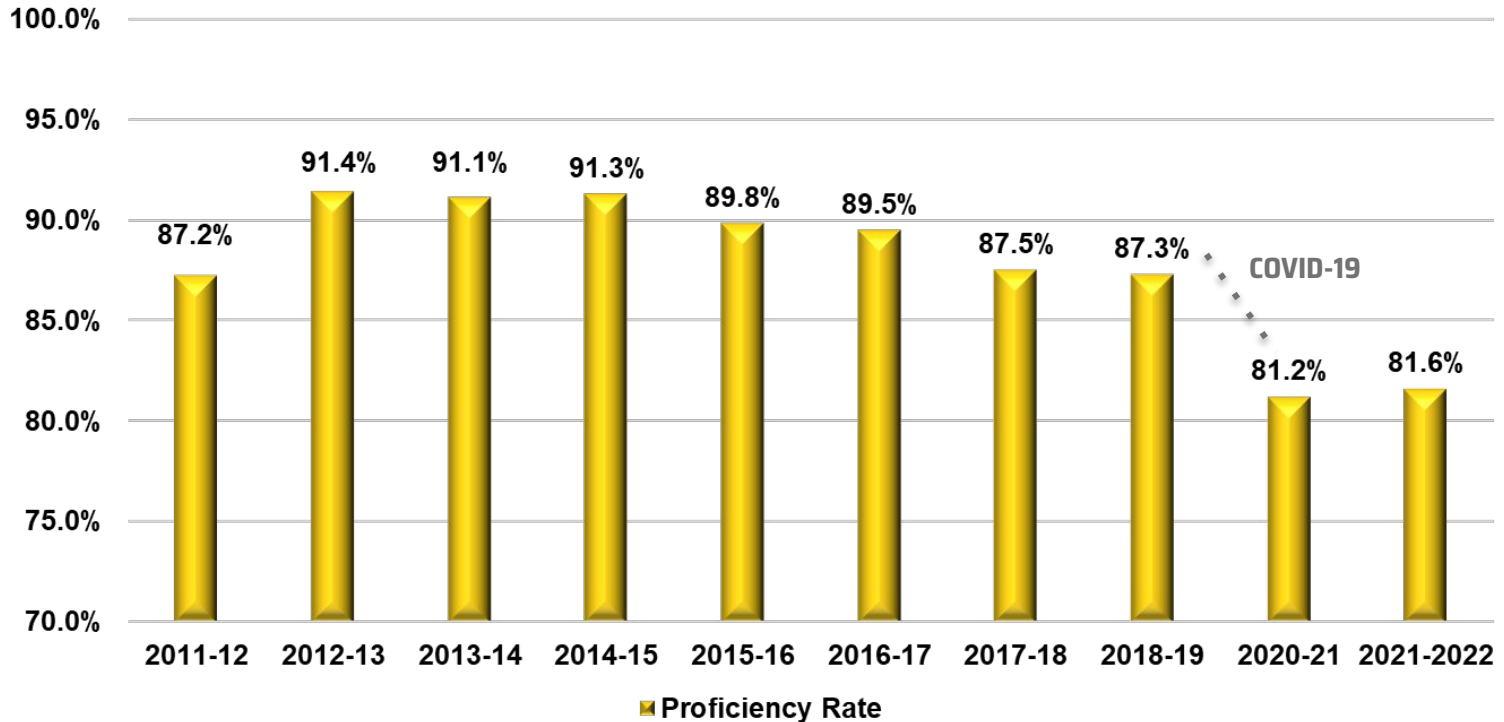
- **Current Literacy Data**
- **Historic Literacy Investment**
- **Thoughts & Questions**

## 2022 IREAD-3 OVERVIEW

Statewide, proficiency rates for students **increased** 0.4 percentage points.

- IREAD-3 measures **foundational reading skills** needed to access all future learning.
- Passage rates **peaked at 91%** in the 2012-2013 school year, and since then, have continued to fall.
- 2022 passage rate: **81.6%, or 65,000+ students**

# IREAD-3 RESULTS: COMPARISON BY YEAR



## 2022 IREAD-3 RESULTS - **KEY TAKEAWAYS**

- **Nearly 1 in 5 Hoosier** students have not mastered foundational reading skills by the end of third grade.
- Results remain **5.7 percentage points below pre-pandemic proficiency rates**.
- While some student populations experienced a significant improvement in reading skills, other student populations will need **evidence-based, intentional support** to become strong readers.

# Historic Literacy Investment

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# HISTORIC LITERACY INVESTMENT

**Largest-ever financial investment in literacy in Indiana**

**\$60 million from Lilly Endowment to IDOE +  
\$26 million from IDOE (ESSER II) +  
Up to \$25 million from Lilly Endowment to Indiana's teacher prep  
programs**

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**= \$111 million combined investment**

***Goal:***  
Achieve a  
passage rate  
of **95%** on  
IREAD-3 by  
2027.

## HISTORIC LITERACY INVESTMENT CONTINUED

- This investment is *intentionally focused* on providing support, tools, and resources for our educators who teach reading.
- **Focus: Science of Reading strategies**

The Science of Reading is a **research-based strategy** that integrates instructional practices with efforts focused around phonics, phonemic awareness, fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension.



## THIS INVESTMENT WILL...

### Provide support to educators:

- **Current** - Through funding from IDOE, **43 schools** across the state are piloting the Science of Reading instructional coaching, with recruitment, oversight, and training provided by Indy's CELL.
- **Future** - With the additional financial support from Lilly Endowment, IDOE expects to expand the reach of this effort to **approximately 60 percent of elementary schools** by the end of the 2025-2026 school year.

# THIS INVESTMENT WILL...CONTINUED



## Provide stipends for teachers:

- IDOE will provide financial incentives of **up to \$1,200** to educators who participate in professional development focused on the Science of Reading
- Available to all K-3 educators

# THIS INVESTMENT WILL...CONTINUED



## Provide targeted support for Indiana students:

- Many students experience reading challenges.
- This includes students in special education, students of color, students whose primary language is not English, and students from low-income households.

THIS **INVESTMENT** WILL...CONTINUED



## Establish a literacy center at IDOE:

- Will serve as a **one-stop-shop** to oversee literacy efforts, manage research and evaluation efforts, and maintain quality technical assistance for educators.
- IDOE will recruit additional staff to provide **Science of Reading technical assistance** to schools, including resources through the Indiana Learning Lab.

# THIS INVESTMENT WILL...CONTINUED



## Enhance undergraduate programs:

- The Lilly Endowment will make available up to \$25 million to support Indiana's *future* elementary teachers.
- Funding will be available for Indiana's colleges and universities that want to enhance their efforts to prepare future Indiana elementary teachers to use Science of Reading methods.

# Thoughts & Questions

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# Student Enrichment Grant Program

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**INDIANA LEARNS**



## BACKGROUND

- In March 2022, the Indiana General Assembly authorized House Enrolled Act 1251 creating the student enrichment grants program.
- As part of the legislation, the Indiana Department of Education was designated as the entity responsible for determining how to best administer the program.
- In summer 2022, IDOE contracted with The Mind Trust to manage implementation of this program, naming it Indiana Learns.

## HOW IT WORKS

- The program will officially launch on Saturday, October 15.
- Families will verify eligibility through the Indiana Learns portal.
- All eligible students will receive access to a one-time grant of \$500. Students may be eligible for up to \$1,000 in schools or corporations that provide an additional \$250 grant matched by the state.
- Students may use awarded grant funding to receive in-person, virtual, or hybrid tutoring opportunities from an approved learning partner in math or reading.
- Learning partners submit an application that is reviewed by both the Indiana Learns team and a statewide review committee, which ultimately determines which partners are approved.

# INDIANA LEARNS TERMS

- **Champion Schools:** Schools with eligible students that have activated the grant.
- **Champion Plus Schools:** Schools that provide \$250 match for students.
- **Organizational Learning Partners (OLP):** Approved providers of enrichment services, which can be both private entities OR school corporations. Champion Plus schools are eligible to apply and be approved as Organizational Learning Partners.

# ORGANIZATIONAL LEARNING PARTNER REQUIREMENTS

- Provide services outside of regular school hours
- Utilize licensed teachers, retired teachers, or students enrolled in a teacher prep program
- Provide a minimum of 60 minutes per week in math or reading enrichment
- Maintain a 1:3 tutor-student ratio
- Keep cost to less than \$100 per hour/per student
- Provide weekly progress reports to families

# STUDENT **ELIGIBILITY**

**Eligible students must meet all of the following criteria:**

- Student resides in Indiana.
- Student is currently enrolled in and attending an Indiana school.
- Student qualifies for federal free or reduced lunch.
- Student scored below proficiency in ***both* mathematics and English/language arts on ILEARN** as a third or fourth grade student in the spring of 2022.
  - NOTE: Students achieving approaching proficiency will not qualify.

# PROGRAM PHASES

## Phase 1: Pilot October - December 2022

- Approx. 3,000 students & 20 Champion Plus schools
- Organizational learning partners

## Phase 2: Full Implementation January - June 2023

- Approx. 10,000 students & 75 Champion Plus schools
- Organizational learning partners
- Individual tutors

## Phase 3: Scaled Implementation July 2023 - June 2024

- Approx. 15,000 students & 175 Champion Plus schools
- Organizational learning partners
- Individual tutors

# VIEWING THE STUDENT PORTAL

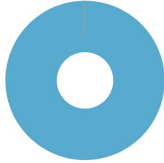
### Quick Links

[Explore Services](#)

### Account Balance

Available Balance  
**\$500.00**

Pending Services ⓘ  
**(\$0.00)**



■ Available Balance  
■ Pending Services  
■ Spent

### Account History

Date	Description	Total	Status
09/30/2022	Account Funded	-	\$500.00

# LEARNING PARTNER **REVIEW COMMITTEE**

The **Learning Partner Review Committee** is comprised of nine members, all of whom were nominated by partners from across the state.

Indiana Learns would like extend a **special thank you** to the following organizations for their support in particular:

- Indiana Association of School Principals
- Indiana Association of Public School Superintendents
- Indiana Small and Rural Schools Association



# COMMITTEE APPROVED **LEARNING PARTNERS**

## **Champion Plus Learning Partners**

- Gary Community School Corporation
- Greenwood Community Schools
- Knox Community Schools
- Penn-Harris-Madison Schools
- School City of Mishawaka
- Wawasee Community Schools
- *More to come!*

## **Organizational Learning Partners**

- Bilingual Bridges
- Marian University
- Sylvan Learning Centers
  - Bloomington
  - Columbus
  - Franklin
  - Lafayette
  - Mishawaka
  - Seymour
- Varsity Tutors
- *More to come!*

# LEARNING PARTNER PROFILE - EXAMPLE

## Knox Community Schools

- 25 eligible students
- Further identification of priority students based on current benchmarking
- In-person tutoring with certified teachers who are employees of the school corporation
- Minimum of twenty one-hour sessions, outside of school hours

Available Funding		
Indiana Learns	\$750 x 25 students, invoiced to Indiana Learns	\$18,750
Knox Matching Funds	\$250 x 25 students, reimbursable by regular federal grant procedures	\$6,250
		<b>Total</b>
		<b>\$25,000</b>

# INDIANA LEARNS **WEBSITE**

For additional information, please  
visit our website:

**[IndianaLearns.org](https://www.IndianaLearns.org)**



# Thoughts & Questions



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